

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with James A. LaBarre on 9/21/07.

JAB
11/9/07
The application has been amended as follows:

- a) on line 14 of claim 1, -- characterized in that for the endpoint (51) of the sum vector (47) in a space (42) a region (48, 49, 50) is delimited which indicates whether the electrical signal from the receiver processed to form the sum vector indicates a foreign body in the yarn -- is added after "vectors";
- b) claim 6 has been canceled;
- c) on line 1 of claim 7, "claim 6" has been replaced by -- claim 1 --.

Reasons for Allowance

Claims 1-5 and 7 allowed.

As to claims 1-5 and 7, the prior of record, taken alone or in combination, fails to disclose or render obvious a device for scanning a yarn comprising light source for emitting light in at least two wavelength regions and a computer which forms a vector